

Walks from Cam & Dursley Station

Walk 1 - Uley Bury (part 1)

This walk follows paths with great long distance views on the way to visit some of the best viewpoints in the area. The walk is a minimum of 8.2 miles and has two significant climbs. There are two suggested options which increase the walk to 9 miles; one to include more sections of the Uley Bury edge (+ 0.5 miles), and the other to avoid a section of road walking on the way to Cam Long Down (+ 0.3 miles). There are plenty of opportunities to stop for coffee or lunch and take in the view. Allow 5 hours for the shorter walk and a further 30 minutes for the longer.

SECTION 1 - From the station yard turn left along the road. Where the road turns left over the bridge bear right along the minor road which soon crosses the River Cam. Continue past a farm and the entrance to the Severn Trent Works to join the green lane. Continue straight on for nearly a mile, passing through two gates, until the track becomes a road running between houses. Where the road turns right go straight on following the footpath sign and through the kissing gate into the field.

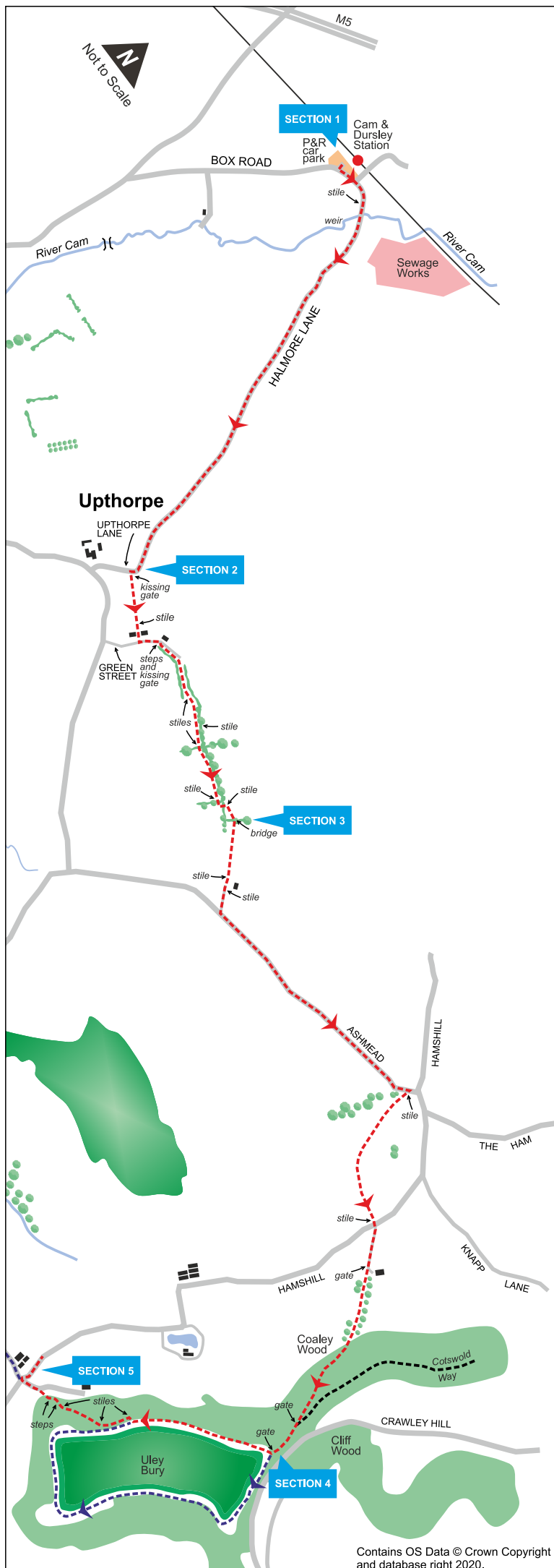
SECTION 2 - Go across the field to a stile leading to a path between two bungalows to a road. Turn left and at the wooden bungalow turn right up some steps and go through the kissing gate. Turn left and follow the inside of the hedge continuing over four stiles. After the fourth, turn immediately left over another stile and then half right to go 50 yards across a field to a bridge in the gully.

SECTION 3 - Climb the bank and continue across the next field, parallel to the hedge on the right, to a stile to the right of a stone house. After 20 yards go over another stile and then along a drive to the road. Turn left and follow the road for half a mile. Just before a road junction look for the footpath sign on the right and climb the stile into a large field. Head up the field to the right of the pair of trees and then, as you go over the brow, look to find and then cross the stile beside the field gates. Go along the lane opposite, taking the track to the right of the gate at the cottage to commence the first good climb. Follow the track up the edge of the woods and, where the track divides, keep left on the main track into the woods, not the path by the fence. Keep straight on, ignoring all joining tracks until you reach the top where you'll find a bench and a good view.

SECTION 4 - Here you turn left through the gate, then immediately right through another gate onto another track. In 100 yards you reach a gate and have a choice:

- For the shorter walk - bear right onto the Bury edge and follow the track for 500 yards to find a stile on your right. Cross this and then another stile where the narrow path then bears right to descend. Proceed with care until a further stile is reached. Beyond this the path leads down, via two flights of steps, to join a broad path. Turn right onto this and follow it downhill until it reaches a road junction.
- For the longer walk – go straight ahead and enjoy a level walk clockwise around the Bury, turning right twice and then looking for the stile mentioned above which will be on your left.

SECTION 5 - (please see over on the next page).



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SECTION 5 - At the road junction you also have a choice

- For the shorter walk, which follows the road for about 700 yards, turn right, signposted Coaley. After going round a sharp left bend, find the Cotswold Way sign beside the barn and go straight on over the stile and up the field towards Cam Long Down
- For the longer walk, take the road opposite signed to Dursley. Go past the kennels and turn half right along a bridleway. This, in part, can be very muddy after rain. Follow the path down until, at a junction of paths, turn sharp right to follow a path beside a stream up to a stile. Cross this and follow the right hand edge of the field until you reach the stile near the corner by the road.

SECTION 6 - Heading towards Cam Long Down, after 100 yards cross another stile and go straight up the hill, for the second good climb. Follow the way-marks, up the steps, over the stile, up more steps until you reach the top. Here, pick your way along the network of paths along the top of the ridge admiring the views in all directions. Descend on a well-defined stony path and continue straight on up a wide grassy track to the top of Cam Peak to enjoy the panoramic view. Then retrace your steps and bear left downhill towards the car park.

SECTION 7 - Go through the kissing gate at the car park entrance and cross the road to a gate which leads into a wood. Leave the wood through a kissing gate, and then continue across the field to another kissing gate. Follow the path downhill to find another kissing gate on your right. Go through this and then turn left to find two kissing gates together. Take the one on the right and then head downhill alongside the hedge towards the church. As you approach another kissing gate at the field corner, turn sharp right to follow the path which runs diagonally across to a gate visible across the field. Go through the gate and straight on to cross a bridge over Dulkan Brook which flows in a tree lined gully.

SECTION 8 - Climb the steps out of the gully and then bear slightly left to follow the bearing of the power lines for four poles. Then turn slightly right to a stone slab stile and cross this and go 20 yards across the corner of the field to another stile on the left. Continue in the same direction to a field gate opposite. Go through the gate and head for a house with three chimneys, bearing right as you are approaching to find another stile at the edge of paddocks at the rear of the houses. Cross this and after 30 yards turn left at a gate to follow the path across the paddock, over a stile and between houses to the road.

SECTION 9 - Turn right for 50 yards, then go through a kissing gate on the left. Continue through gates either side of a drive and then on to another kissing gate. Continue along the fenced path and through a kissing gate into a copse to another kissing gate, and then on along the side of the field down to a gate at the corner. Go through the gate on the left and then immediately turn half right to cross the field to a gap in the hedge where the hedge line bends.

SECTION 10 - Pass through the gap and turn right along a track. After 150 yards cross the stile beside the gate on the left and then follow the hedge on the right. Where the hedge bends right keep on across the field to a gap in the hedge opposite. Turn half left and cross the field to find a footbridge over the River Cam. Cross this and do not go under the concrete former railway bridge, but turn sharp right to find another kissing gate.

SECTION 11 - Through the kissing gate follow the path round to the right and head for the left side of the electricity sub-station. Pass through the gate and go slightly right on the track to a step through stile alongside another gate. Keep parallel to the power line, through another gate to a stile in the hedge. Turn left and walk back to the station.

